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DETAILED ACTION

1. Applicant's amendment to cancel claim 8 filed 9/13/05 has been entered and made of record.

- 2. Claims 1-3 are allowed.
- 3. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

Regarding claim 1, the closest cited prior art [US Patent No. 6,301,391 to Nomizu] does not teach or suggest: an image composition means for compositing the plural partial predictive images based on the image data of the plural partial predictive images and auxiliary data indicating positions and sizes of the respective partial images in the target image, so as to generate image data of the predictive image, and in combination with other claimed features.

Dependent claims 2-3 area also allowed for the same reasons as above.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

4. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Duy M. Dang whose telephone number is 571-272-7389. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday to Friday from 5:30AM to 2:00PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Joseph Mancuso can be reached on 571-272-7695. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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